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IN THE MATTER OF THE REINSTATEMENT OF :	:	
THOMAS CASCIONE, CADC :	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
LICENSE NO. 37CA00105800 :	:	
TO PRACTICE ALCOHOL AND DRUG :	:	CONSENT ORDER OF VOLUNTARY
COUNSELING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :	:	SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATION

This matter was opened to the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee ("Committee") of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners upon self-disclosure by Thomas Cascione ("Respondent"), that he relapsed in the use of alcohol and drugs.

Respondent has at this time agreed to the voluntary surrender of his certification to practice alcohol and drug counseling in the State of New Jersey in accordance with the terms of this Consent Order. The Committee finds the terms of this Consent Order to be

adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings:

IT IS, THEREFORE, on this 13 day of June, 2013

ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent shall immediately surrender his certification to practice alcohol and drug counseling in the State of New Jersey, and shall cease and desist from practice until further Order of the Committee. Respondent shall deliver his biennial renewal certification including his original wall certificate, certification and wallet size credential to Ms. Milagros Collazo, Executive Director of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy, P.O. Box 45040, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101, no later than five (5) days after the filing of this Consent Order.

2. Respondent shall maintain absolute abstinence from all psychoactive substances unless prescribed by a treating physician and/or healthcare professional for a documented medical condition with immediate written notification to Respondent's treating therapist.

3. Respondent shall not engage in any volunteer, compensated or uncompensated alcohol or drug counseling or any other mental health counseling or life coaching unless and until he is duly authorized by the Committee or another appropriate licensing board to do so.

4. Respondent shall not seek reinstatement until he completes any or all of the following: inpatient treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, or outpatient treatment.

5. In the event Respondent seeks reinstatement, he shall provide the following documentation to the Committee demonstrating that he is sufficiently rehabilitated to re-enter the practice of alcohol and drug counseling:

a. Documentation that he has completed one (1) year of successful alcohol/drug recovery;

b. A written up-to-date report signed and dated by a licensed health professional pre-approved by the Committee who was Respondent's primary counselor during treatment and recovery pursuant to Paragraph 4, above. The report shall include, at a minimum, evidence documenting respondent's compliance with a plan of recovery and a clinical opinion that the respondent is fit and competent, and sufficiently rehabilitated to re-enter the practice of alcohol and drug counseling. The report should also include a recommended plan of treatment.

c. Copies of the results of any and all urine screening that occurred since the surrender of license.

d. A letter from each of Respondent's treating physicians or other treating health care professionals listing all medications that are then currently prescribed for the

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By: Edward Reading LCADC  
Edward Reading, LCADC  
Committee Chair

I have read and I understand the terms  
Of this Order and agree to be bound by it. I  
Consent to the entry of this Consent Order.

Thomas Cascione  
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